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U.N. Lines Now Firm in Korea

By Frank Robertson, Cabled to The POST
WITH 8th ARMY FORCES, KOREA, Thursday. — It can now be stated with some assurance that United Nations units of the 8th Army no longer face possible annihilation as they did when the Chinese first struck at the end of October.

THERE will come, now, a lull in the parleys. Statesmen and ambassadors will be making for home, buying Christmas presents on the way, and wishing their fellows, as they pass through, a Happy Christmas. The watchful Parliaments of London, Paris and Washington will be leaving their silent chambers to the mops and pails. Even the rulers in Moscow, unimpressed by tradition as they may be, probably are wrapping themselves in their furs and going off into the country. The good Christians of Bonn can be depended upon to make the most of the season as they have made the most of whatever has come their way since they groped from the humiliation of apparent defeat to a profitable alliance with their victors. With Weihnacht has come again the epaulettes and the dream.

BUT the wadded soldiers of China stay poised along that eerie fiction, the 38th Parallel; and their North Korean allies, reconstituted, it is said, to a force of 150,000 men, are south of the obvious line and straining obstinately against the penned-up forces of U.N. No one, as he sprinkles glittering powder on the fire-free set against a cosy window, has the slightest notion of the plans and policies of the heathen Chinese or their friends at the Kremlin. For a few days, Russia's plans may be left locked up in the drawers against the end of goodwill, and as for America's, the "pallid allies" of that vicious defender of Democracy are scarcely less frightened of America's post-Christmas mood than of Russia's.

IT would be foolish to cast aside the Christmas radio reveries of a man like Mr. Herbert Hoover, one-time President, as the rags of a tattered and dishonoured isolationism. Mr. Hoover has said: Not another man or another dollar for Europe until the Europeans themselves have done a better. The newspapers all over the United States have become angry with Europe, who, desperately trying to convalesce from one long and bitter war are finding it difficult to feel any enthusiasm for another. As things are, Europe may turn out to be just another Korea, said Mr. Hoover pessimistically, and it is only reasonable for the Americans to feel that they do not want another Korea.

GENERAL Eisenhower, more in the spirit of the season, has said that the situation is not as dark as it was in the spring of 1942. Indeed, one hopes not. And the purpose of the Statesmen should be to make sure that it does not get anything like as dark as it was in the spring of 1942.

THE atom bomb is still unlikely to be anybody's Christmas present. The latest intelligence from London makes it fairly clear that the "assurances" on this subject that were given to Mr. Acheson by Mr. Truman, were something more than a vague promise to let London and Paris know about it before-hand. Subsequent to his statement in the House of Commons, the British Premier saw Mr. Churchill and a number of Labour members and expanded on the implications of "assurances." The explanation seems to have satisfied Mr. Acheson's confidence, and it is now reasonable to suppose that British and French agreement will be sought before bringing into play this uncertain and awful arbiter of destiny. But the threat is still there. The fact, now generally agreed, that to atomize the world is not to win it, is only a deterrent as long as sanity remains in control of our affairs.

CHRISTMAS is but for a day, or two, and perhaps it is too much to expect the goodwill which is its attribute to last any longer. But this time there must be an effort to spin it out, at least until the representatives of the Four Big Powers get together and begin calculating each other's mind.

Hungnam Beachhead Still Holding

TOKYO, Thursday (Reuter). — With over 100,000 Communist troops closing in from three sides, the hard-passed U.N. garrison defending Hungnam in northeast Korea, have now withdrawn into a tighter and more easily defensible perimeter, it was learned here tonight.

They had blown up the last bridge leading South from the encircled port and were reported battling to hold their line with the aid of bombing and machine-gunning naval planes and the big guns of Allied warships offshore.

General MacArthur announced today U.N. troops in North Korea, excluding South Korea, suffered 12,975 battle casualties during the "reported" disaster period of the great Chinese counter-offensive — the 16 days from November 27 to December 12. These figures included killed, wounded and missing. Seven American divisions suffered 11,964 casualties, and "other U.N. forces," 1,011.

Field commanders reported that corresponding Communist losses were in the ratio of ten to one, his communiqué added.

'Obvious Discrepancy'

The American 8th Army's withdrawal in the north-west had not been dictated by these battle losses, nor by the acceptance of defeat, General MacArthur said. The withdrawal was dictated by the "obvious discrepancy" between nine corps of 27 Chinese Communist divisions and four corps of 12 U.N. divisions, he added.

Policy of Independence at U.N. Vindicated, Eban Declares

NEW YORK, Thursday (INA). — "Israel must make provision for all the contingencies in view of the heightened tensions of the world situation and at the same time must provide for its own rapid development and growth," Mr. Moshe Sharet told a press conference here today.

The Foreign Minister expressed the hope that American Jewry would realize the extreme necessity of its assistance to Israel.

Asked about his conversations with Mr. W. M. Sharet, he said that the Chinese delegate had expressed appreciation for Israel's support of China's application for membership in the U.N. Mr. Sharet said that Israel was not yet establishing a diplomatic mission in Peking.

Reviewing Israel's participation at the recent session of the United Nations, Mr. A. Eban said that for the first time Israel played a fully active part in problems not affecting its own interests directly.

Jewish View on Germany

"While we continued to be the subject of discussion, and while we continued to be under sustained attack by our neighbors, the independence and freedom of our foreign policy has been fully vindicated," Mr. Eban said.

He claimed that the interest of other delegations in Israel's point of view was out of all proportion to its size and population. Israel's attitude was always determined by its own judgment.

8 Killed In Air Crash

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Eight soldiers were killed when an Air Force plane crashed off the coast south of Migdal Gad on Monday, a military spokesman announced here tonight.

No bodies have yet been found, and the cause of the mishap has not yet been officially determined.

The plane, which was carrying an Army officer and six other ranks, in addition to the pilot, was discovered on Tuesday morning after an intensive air and ground search. The craft was found lying on its back in the water several metres from the shore, about a kilometre south of Migdal Gad.

Egypt Adopts On Suez Canal

POST Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — In diplomatic circles here it is felt that recent reports, including a B.B.C. statement, suggesting Egypt's willingness to relax restrictions on cargo passing through the Suez Canal, have been exaggerated.

It is believed that the question was recently discussed between the British and Egyptian Foreign Ministers at their meetings in London, and some modification of the present Egyptian regulations is said to have been offered. But, as far as is known, there is no reason to suppose that Egypt has expressed unconditional readiness to withdraw the ban on the passage of goods destined, or thought to be destined, for Israel.

The matter is to be discussed next month between Israel and Egyptian representatives meeting under the auspices of U.N. in the Special Committee provided for such purposes under the Armistice Agreement. Formally, the meeting has been called to hear an Egyptian appeal against the year-old decision of the M.A.C., which declared the Egyptian ban to be contrary to the terms of the Armistice.

The appeal is unlikely to succeed, and according to certain U.N. sources may, by re-opening the question directly between Egypt and Israel, provide a way towards the lifting of the ban.

Depends on Talks

Much will depend on the course of the present London negotiations. The British Government is said to have been firm on the question, and it is believed that the latest British protest to Egypt, delivered on December 12, was a good deal more sharply worded than the earlier protests. It was delivered to Egypt's Acting Foreign Minister Ibrahim Farag Bey, by the British Minister, Mr. Chapman Andrews, for the Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, who is in London.

It made the point that there is nothing in the Suez Canal Convention which allows the Egyptian Government to hinder Egyptian cargo passing through the Canal even if a state of war is claimed to exist.

STERLING TALKS BEGIN

LONDON, Thursday. — Sterling talks between the Israel delegation and Treasury officials formally opened today at the Treasury here.

Mr. David Ben-Gurion, leader of the delegation, which had a "private chat" with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Gaithekel.

Merger of Bus Co-ops Accepted

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The merger of three of the country's five bus cooperatives — Egged, Drom Yehuda and Shikhar — was agreed upon by the Histadrut Executive here today.

Dan, which serves the Tel Aviv-Petah Tikva area, and Haneleset, in Jerusalem, have been left out of the combination for the time being, but the Executive has urged them to join the merger too.

The actual merger will take several months.

It was the first meeting of the Executive under the chairmanship of the new Secretary-General, Mr. M. Namir, Mr. Y. Sprinckel, former Secretary-General, was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Basic Charter

The merger of the cooperatives will have to be in accordance with a basic charter, which was adopted by the Executive today. Some points which were opposed by

West Offers to Lift W. German Controls; 3-Zone Defence Plan

Atlantic Chiefs Consider Including Mediterranean Area

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The Atlantic Pact Defence Ministers and military chiefs are considering the creation of three separate zones of defence stretching from Scandinavia in the Middle East, it was learned from a usually reliable source here today.

Final plans will not be made until General Eisenhower arrives in Europe as Supreme Commander of the Organization. But the lines along which they are likely to develop are:

1. A Central European Command under the personal direction of General Eisenhower.
2. A Northern Command spreading over Scandinavia and parts of the Baltic with a commander junior to Eisenhower and reporting through him to Atlantic Pact H.Q. in Washington.
3. A Mediterranean Command, responsibility for which would rest with the British Commonwealth, Middle Eastern countries and the two associate members of the Atlantic Pact — Greece and Turkey. This would probably be under a Commonwealth Commander.

One school of thought, visualizes this Mediterranean Command as independent of General Eisenhower's central direction, while another believes it should be subordinate to him.

General Eisenhower will set up temporary H.Q. in Paris when he arrives in Europe in the new year. But informed sources here said today his eyes are on a location for his permanent H.Q. farther east.

They are almost certain to be somewhere in France, and Strasbourg is named as a strong possibility.

Biggest immediate problem facing the Atlantic Pact Organization is to get the agreement of the West German government on the proposed German contribution to the Atlantic Pact forces. German demands for equality are likely to be met with an offer of wide freedom in the political sphere. But there is no question of granting them military equality.

The Western powers will agree to the German having air fighter groups for support of their ground troops and a number of small naval coastal vessels. But these will not constitute and air force of a navy. They will not be allowed bombers or capital ships.

Even if it is impossible to reach agreement with the Germans, the Atlantic Pact powers will themselves take the initiative in preparing the defence of Western Germany. It is believed here.

It was authoritatively stated today that the Atlantic Pact Council did not reach any decision at their Brussels meeting this week on the creation of a European defence production board.

This was merely a tentative suggestion made by the Americans but no one was to be taken in, and it is doubtful whether it would be possible to create such a post.

Lebanon Fruit Held Up at Syrian Border

BEIRUT, Thursday (Reuter). — Lorries loaded with Lebanese citrus fruits were held up at the Syrian frontier tonight, following the refusal of the Syrian government to apply immediately a new agricultural exchange agreement with the Lebanon.

It was announced yesterday that the two countries had agreed to the free exchange of agricultural products, and that negotiations to extend the agreement would start next month.

Syria had decided to hold an agricultural conference on Saturday after which it is hoped the agreement will come into force.

Stassen, Senators Due Over Weekend

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Mr. Harold Stassen, a leading member of the U.S. Republican Party, is due to arrive at Lydda Airport by S.A.S. plane early on Saturday morning.

Mr. Stassen will drive straight to Jerusalem where he is expected to meet Prime Minister Ben Gurion and Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan.

On Sunday, he is to cross the lines into Jordan and will return on Monday. Mr. Stassen is also expected to call on President Weizmann during his four-day stay in Israel.

U.S. Senators Homer Ferguson, of Michigan (Republican), and Theodore Green, of Rhode Island (Democrat) are due to cross into Israel at Mandelbaum Gate on Monday morning.

India Backs Tribhubana

NEW DELHI, Thursday (UP). — The Prime Minister, Sri Nehru, told parliament today that India would continue to recognize the exiled king, Tribhubana, as ruler of Nepal "in the interests of peace and world stability."

No Easing of Citrus Crisis Seen

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — It is expected that a meeting of the Citrus Marketing Board will be called tomorrow to discuss the four-point decision reached by the Cabinet at its meeting yesterday.

The Cabinet's decisions were:

1. The Government could not accept the obligation of covering all the expenditures of the citrus growers or the difference between this year's and last year's prices.
2. The Cabinet accepted the Marketing Board's proposal of a 15 per cent premium on export fruit.
3. The Cabinet would be ready to discuss a graduated increase in the citrus export tax if market conditions warranted it.
4. A committee would be appointed to investigate the condition of various types of citrus groves and to submit their recommendations to the Government.

'Big 3' Note Won't Mention Korea

LONDON, Thursday (UP). — Korea, and Chinese intervention there will not be specifically mentioned in the notes the U.S., Britain, and France will send to Russia on Friday in regard to a Big-Four meeting, authoritative sources said today.

These are subjects on which the Big Four, while vitally concerned, could reach no independent agreement. This source said Britain "earnestly desired" that the invitation would be accepted.

He said the British attitude is that a meeting with Russia now is extremely important. But he conceded there was no great hope of acceptance.

Talks last week on Austria showed that Russia has apparently not budged an inch from its uncompromising position. It was believed the Big Three reply to Russia, however, would be in gentle language. Both the British and French governments are committed to make every effort at negotiations.

Britain and France have yet to reply to separate Soviet accusations of breaking treaties of friendship by joining in the North Atlantic Alliance.

Entezam Denies Cease-Fire Trap

LAKE SUCCESS, Thursday (Reuter). — Mr. Nasrullah Entezam, Persian, President of the U.N. General Assembly, has assured China that the U.N. cease-fire proposal for Korea is not a "trap" as alleged by the Peking representatives.

On behalf of the three-man cease-fire committee, Mr. Entezam is understood to have telegraphed the Chinese government that the proposal only called upon the parties to state the terms on which a basis for a cease-fire should be established.

An assurance was said to have been given that the cease-fire would be followed by talks on other Far-Eastern issues, as envisaged in a resolution now before the political committee.

No Announcement Of Stalin Peace Prizes

MOSCOW, Thursday (AP). — The Russian press appeared on Generalissimo Stalin's 71st birthday today with an abundance of praise for the Soviet leader, but without any announcement of the international Stalin Peace Prizes.

By decree of the presidium of the Supreme Soviet, issued a year ago today on Stalin's 70th birthday, these awards were supposed to have been made today for the first time.

QUEEN ALIYAH DEAD

The death yesterday morning of Aliyah, Queen Mother of Iraq, is reported from Baghdad. She had been ill for four months and had undergone a series of abdominal operations in London.

Aliyah, who was 38 years old, was the widow of King Ghazi of Iraq and mother of the present king Faisal, now 15. She was the sister of the Regent, Emir Abdul Ilah and niece of Abdulah.

A state of mourning has been proclaimed in Iraq for six months and in Jordan for several days. Abdulah has flown to Baghdad for the funeral.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The U.N. cease-fire committee yesterday told the Chinese People's Republic that it would wait one week before making a final report to the U.N. Political Committee on the chance of stopping the fighting in Korea.

The U.S. Senate yesterday confirmed the appointment of Republican-born Mrs. Anne Bennett as Assistant Secretary of Defense despite earlier allegations of Communist sympathies.

West Offers to Lift W. German Controls; 3-Zone Defence Plan

BONN, Thursday (AP). — The Western Allies today told Chancellor Konrad Adenauer that they are prepared to sweep away occupation controls in exchange for German participation in the defence of Europe.

In a five-hour meeting, Mr. Adenauer was told by the three Western Allied High Commissioners the results of the Brussels conference and a procedure was agreed upon for negotiating the formation of German military contingents and a drastic revision of Germany's political status.

Dr. Adenauer has asked the Allies for a "security treaty" to replace occupation controls so that West Germany would have a status nearer that of an ally than of a defeated country.

After the meeting, Dr. Adenauer said: "There has been a big step forward."

The outcome of today's meeting was regarded as being that Mr. Adenauer is now on the road to getting the security treaty he has been asking for, but it will be a long road, both towards the creation of German military units and almost total independence for West Germany.

Talked officials said that talks would go on for months. Committees are to be formed to deal with the two subjects. Allied generals will discuss the military problem.

Acheson: Choice of 'Ike' Heartens Europe

WASHINGTON, Thursday (Reuter). — Secretary of State Dean Acheson told President Truman today that the appointment of General Eisenhower as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe "greatly heartened and inspired the European nations."

The President, passing on this information to reporters, said in a statement: "It is in full agreement with the Secretary that the spirit shown by the countries of Western Europe has justified our confidence that the free states of Europe mean business about setting up our common defence system."

TRUMAN EXTENDS RENT CONTROLS

WASHINGTON, Thursday (Reuter). — President Truman yesterday signed legislation extending rent controls to March 31 next.

The 90-day extension was voted by Congress at his request to give the incoming Congress time to review the national housing picture in the light of the defence emergency.

Without the stop-gap extension, rent controls would have ended on December 31, except in communities taking special action to retain them until June 30.

Senate Approves Defence Budget

WASHINGTON, Thursday (UP). — The Senate approved in quick time today the \$20,099,666,938 supplemental defence appropriation, the largest since the close of World War II.

The bill now goes back to the House for an adjustment of differences between the Senate version and one passed earlier by the House.

Wilson Assumes U.S. Mobilization Post

WASHINGTON, Thursday (Reuter). — Mr. Charles E. Wilson, President of the General Electric Company, took office today as director of Defence Mobilization.

He appointed General Louis Clay, former U.S. military governor in Germany, and Mr. Sidney Weinberg, banker, as his assistants.

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Social & Personal

President Weizmann received Mr. Yosef Spritzak, Chairman of the Knesset, and Mr. Joseph Weitz, a member of the Directorate of the Jewish National Fund, yesterday at his office in Hakirya.

Dr. Eduardo Quintero, of the Philippine Foreign Ministry, and Mr. Daniel Gomez, Secretary-General of the Philippine Air Line, who negotiated an extension of the Philippine-Israeli air agreement, have left by air for Batavia.

Mr. A. Mulford, the Danish Consul-General in Jerusalem, and his daughter, Frances, left Lydda by B.O.A.C. plane yesterday for London.

Mr. Benjamin Mintz, Chairman of the Internal Affairs Committee of the Knesset, has left for the U.S. to participate in the Poalei Agudat Israel Convention which will take place next month.

Mr. Richard Crossman, M.P. (Socialist), has left the Old City yesterday morning and returned to Rehovot in the evening.

Prof. Yitzhak (Ignacio) Bauer, President of the Madrid Jewish community, called on the Mayor of Tiberias, Mr. M. Weiss, on Wednesday.

Dr. Emil Adler, Lecturer of the faculty of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, and Head of the Department for Physical Medicine at the Hadassah Hospital, has just returned from a lecture and study trip in America.

Dr. B. Maister, Lecturer in the Historical Geography of Palestine at the Hebrew University, is leaving by air today for the U.S., where he will lecture at the University of Chicago for a year on "The History of Hebrew Civilization and Archaeological Exploration in Palestine."

Mr. J. Briant, Manager of Barclays Bank, Jerusalem, left Lydda yesterday by B.O.A.C. plane for London.

Mr. P. Morgenstern has left his position as Director of the Textiles Section in the Department of Supply.

Kenneth Spencer, the Negro bassist, will give his only concert in Jerusalem at the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium tomorrow night at 8.30.

ENGAGEMENT
CLYMAN-BRUEN
The engagement is announced between Max, son of Mrs. Toby Clyman and the late Mr. Israel Clyman, of Liverpool, and Miriam, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David S. Bruen, of Tel Aviv.

UNVEILING OF TOMBSTONE
The unveiling of the tombstone over the grave of Shulamith Englesberg (nee Halimson) killed by Arab marauders at Be'er will take place on December 26, 1950, at Kibbutz Be'er (Negev). The ceremony will be held at the residence at 17 Shderot Chai, Tel Aviv, at 11 a.m. on December 26.

Hamish Insurance Service will be pleased to arrange your Marine Insurance against all risks. (Add.)

In order to avoid all confusion, Mrs. Stefanie Katz announces that the trademark of her Haute Couture Salon, 89 Hovevei Zion St., Tel Aviv, is "Stefanie." (Add.)

Mr. Theodore D. Apteker resigned his post as Manager of "Yotat" Ltd., Export Syndicate of Israel. Apteker is now continuing his activities as Export-Import Agent and Export Adviser at his office at 21 Yehuda Halevi St., Tel Aviv. (Add.)

Christmas Celebrations in Israel Miss Szold, Hans Beyth Remembered

Christians in Israel will begin Christmas celebrations on Sunday night with carol singing and midnight mass.

Special holiday railcars, consisting of 200 grams of pork in place of the regular meat ration, 30 grams of coffee, sugar and rice will be distributed to Christian families.

The Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth will be, as in the past, the centre of a solemn gathering of diplomats and representatives of Christian institutions.

In Jerusalem, all churches have scheduled services for Christmas Eve and morning. No special public ceremonies have been arranged and no service will be held on Mount Zion.

The Y.M.C.A. in Jerusalem has already begun its celebrations with performances of Christmas music. Tonight a party will be held for its staff, and hostel residents will sing carols this evening.

Tomorrow afternoon a united carol service will be held, with a portion of the programme, 3.15 to 4.15, to be broadcast over Kol Israel. At the same time, a children's Christmas party will be held.

On Sunday evening the Christian Fellowship Group will hold a carol and tableau programme at the Y.M.C.A., and on Monday the hostel residents

Permits to Cross

Pilgrims crossing the lines into Jordan for Christmas should receive their permits from the District Representative's office in the Generali Building, Jerusalem, not later than Sunday noon.

will have a holiday dinner and a dance in the evening.

The "Y" is being decorated both outside and inside with the customary holiday trimmings. Floodlights will illuminate the building while the trees outside will be decorated with gay tinsel and bulbs.

The carols also will be played starting tomorrow and at various times during the week of celebration.

Prayers for Peace

The Vatican has asked all its churches to hold special prayers for peace during the Christmas week, and all Roman Catholic institutions in the Jerusalem area will do so.

Mr. George Hakim, Greek Catholic Archbishop of Galilee, is expected to arrive from Rome on Sunday in order to conduct Mass at the Greek Catholic Church in Haifa and participate in services and events on Christmas Day.

The Anglican Church will open Haifa celebrations with a Carol Service to be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday at St. Luke's Church. A Holy Communion

conducted by Rev. H. T. Wisdom, will take place at 11.45 p.m. on Sunday. Christmas Day services at St. Luke's Church will take place at 7.30 a.m., the Matins at 10 a.m. and a Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

The Protestant children will attend a special Christmas tree party to be held at St. Luke's Hall at 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

Children of the Nazareth orphanage will receive gifts of toys for Christmas sent by the Anglican Church of Haifa.

Christmas trees in sufficient quantities will be provided by Haifa Municipality at 500 pruta each.

Some of the Committees in the city will hold Christmas parties for their staffs.

Party for Sailors

Matrons and crews of foreign ships in Haifa Port will be entertained at a party given by the Haifa Maritime League at the Sailors' Hotel at 9.30 a.m. on Monday.

The Jordan prize reports that hotels and monasteries in Arab Palestine are filled. Thousands of pilgrims have arrived in the Old City of Jerusalem, Beit Jala and Bethlehem, and more are expected.

King Abdullah has appointed a special committee of Government workers and representatives of the Christian churches to prepare the service at the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, it was reported.

CHARGE — A Federal Grand Jury today indicted Representative Walter E. Brehm (Republican, Ohio) on seven charges of illegally obtaining money from two of his office employees for use in a successful re-election campaign.

HAIFA, Thursday — The 90th anniversary of the birth of Henrietta Szold, founder of Youth Aliya, and the third anniversary of the death of her co-worker, Hans Beyth, were observed today at simple and impressive ceremonies at the two Youth Aliya centres of Ramat Hadassah and Ahuzat.

At Ramat Hadassah, the children's village near Tivon, where 350 boys and girls are staying until permanent places are found for them, a reception house was dedicated to the memory of Hans Beyth, who was killed on his way to Jerusalem after welcoming immigrant children in Haifa.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM
8-9: Exhibition of Exhibitions, Water Colours, Oil by local artists, Safra's Art Gallery, 24 Jaffa Road.
9-11: (Tomorrow: 10-11) Exhibition of Prints from the Kibbutz Collection, also other recent acquisitions. Exhibition of the Month: Manukha Lamp (Bronze), Pessia & Bukharin, Bnei Menachem, 10-11: Exhibition of Water Colours by Joseph Kossowski, Artista House (near King David Hotel).
10-11: Ryback Memorial Exhibition: Tel Aviv Museum (also tomorrow).
10-11: Exhibition of "Hannukka Lamp."
10-11: 4-6: Exhibition of water colours and pastels by Muriel Ben-Zvi, Eshkol-Hertza Studio, 41 Rothschild Blvd., Saturday: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
8 a.m.-1 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Omer.
10-11: Municipal Museum, 2 Hassan Shukri Street, Tel Aviv.

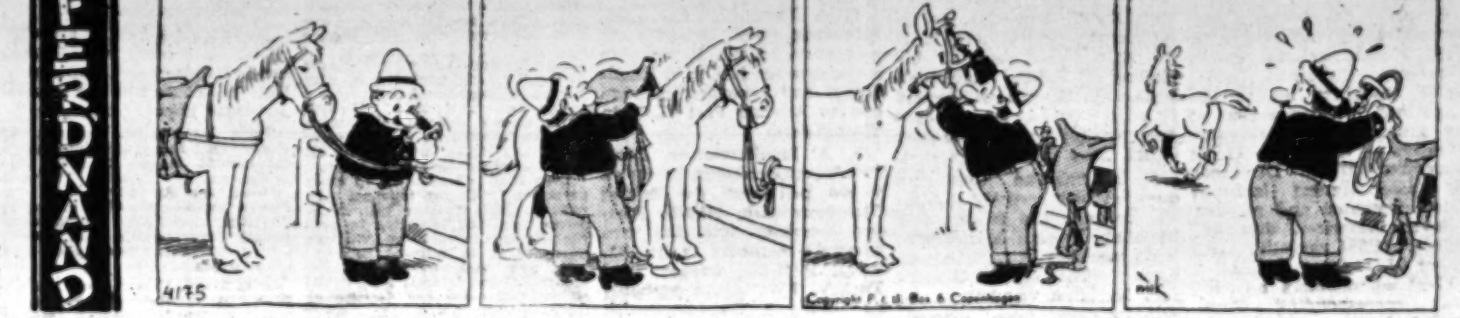
TEL AVIV
7-9: 11 a.m.: "Biblical Spirit" Chamber Theatre, Mordah Hall.
7-9: 3-5 p.m.: "Crossword" La-La Theatre, Yeha Heitets Hall.

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Memorial Meeting

The Ahuzat transit camp, where children are received on their arrival, was named after Hans Beyth by Mr. D. Umanovsky, of the Youth Aliya Department. The entrance gate was opened by Mrs. Beyth and her three children.

A memorial meeting for Henrietta Szold was held at the Bet



Religious Services

Sabbath begins in Jerusalem at 4.55 p.m. today and ends at 5.15 p.m. tomorrow.

Yehoshua Synagogue: Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Sabbath: 8 a.m. Mincha: 3.45 p.m. Ma'ariv: 8.15 p.m. (Gan Rehavia).
Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Sabbath: 8.15 a.m.
Jerusalem Baptists Congregation: Opp. Gan Rehavia. Bible study: 8 a.m. Hebrew Service and Lecture: 8 p.m.
Chicago Hebrew Mission (Prophets St.): 10 a.m. Hebrew Service and Lecture: 10.30 a.m. Rev. Wm. L. Hull.
Chicago Hebrew Mission, 14 Prophets St. (Near Baitenehser House): Saturday, 7.45 p.m. (Rev. J. Blum).

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Lydda	48	12	23	28
Hakirya	48	12	23	28
Jerusalem	48	12	23	28
Beer Sheva	48	12	23	28

Forecast: Fair with variable amounts of high clouds. Outlook for Saturday: Partly cloudy.

(A) Humidity at 3 p.m. yesterday.
 (B) Minimum temp. yesterday.
 (C) Maximum temp. yesterday.
 (D) Maximum temp. expected today.

735 IMMIGRANTS from Europe arrived in the s.s. Galiliah yesterday.

Alia Costa, of Haifa, was admitted to the Hadassah hospital on Wednesday with severe wounds, allegedly inflicted by her husband, a night watchman, who said his weapon discharged accidentally in their tent. He was arrested.

Two infiltrators were arrested yesterday in the Jerusalem area.

A basket of embroidered table cloths and blouses and hand-made straw hats and carpets made by immigrant women from 12 countries will be auctioned to the public from today until December 22 at the new premises of "Air France," 22 Herzl Alley.

Total bank deposits in Israel, excluding cooperative institutions, amounted to IL124,700,000 in October as compared with IL119,100,000 in September.

BAT YAM ELECTS COUNCIL HEAD

BAT YAM, Thursday. — At the first Local Council meeting to be held in Israel after the elections last month, Bat Yam councilors today chose Mr. David Ben Ari (Histadrut) as chairman.

The Council includes four members of the Histadrut, two of Poale Mizrahi, and one each of the General Zionists and Herut. Mr. E. Livay was the outgoing chairman.

The first meeting of the Tel Aviv Municipal Council will take place at 4.30 on Sunday afternoon in the hall of Teachers' Seminary.

CHILD KILLED BY JEEP TEL AVIV Thursday.

Five-year-old Ruth Mizrahi, of Jaffa, died in Hadassah hospital here this afternoon one hour after she was struck down by a civilian jeep as she was crossing Rehov Mea Shearim. The driver was arrested.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM — Potatoes: two kilograms Shin-Aleph 25, TEL AVIV AND VICINITY — Potatoes: zones 4 & 5, 250 grams. Tel 246. Carrots: zones 7, 8, and moshavat, 150 grams. Tel 245. Poultry: zone 5, 600 grams for all persons; 250 grams for aged persons.

Personal Notices

Ruth Brandeis **Max Friedlander**

ENGAGED

Jerusalem December, 1950.

Jeannette Ruth Harbater **Morris Zalbe**

MARRIED

New York, December 9, 1950.

MARRIAGE

ALVO ROMANO

The marriage of Sarah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haim Romano of Tel Aviv, to Mr. Daniel Alvo of Athens, will take place at the Ohel Moed Synagogue, 9 Shadal Street, Tel Aviv, on Monday December 25, 1950, at 2.30 p.m.

Relatives, friends and acquaintances are cordially invited.

Telegraphic Address: ALVO ROMANO, Tel Aviv.

This is the only intimation.

Today we are observing the 2nd anniversary of the tragic death of our beloved friend and comrade

Sam Pomeranc-Tapuzi,

Israel Air Force, of New York

who lost his life during the war of Liberation somewhere over Europe.

We shall always remember him and his work for our country. On behalf of all comrades

HENRY,

Israel Legation, Prague

Ben Gurion Visits Corridor Ma'abarot

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ben Gurion, spent his first day at work in Jerusalem yesterday in consultation with officials of the Army and Ministry of Defense.

He also visited two Yemite ma'abarot in the Jerusalem Corridor at which Army personnel are at work. The Prime Minister noted the excellent spirit of the soldiers and the immigrants, who appeared to be pleased with the sanitary and other improvements made by the soldiers.

A rabbi delivered a special blessing in his honor.

Rifle Shots

In one camp a resident observed that they were concerned by rifle shots in their border area, especially as they had never heard any shooting in the Yemen. The Prime Minister replied:

"There is nothing to worry about. Let the Arabs worry. You can rely on three things: the Almighty, yourselves and the Israel Army."

During his tour he was accompanied by Rav-Aloof Yigael Yadin, Chief of the General Staff; Aloof M. Maklef; and Aloof-Mishneh Michael Shahan.

El Al Constellation Arrives Today

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The first of two Constellation airliners purchased by El Al in the U.S. last summer, is due to arrive at Lydda Airport tomorrow morning. The second plane is still undergoing changes, and will not be put into service before spring.

The Constellation will be the time being used in El Al's European service, and later in the service between Israel and the U.S.

Court Upholds Local Law In Jailing Draft Dodger

Convicted on charges of failing to report for a medical inspection and for military service, Haim Steinberg told Judge A. Witkon that he would not obey the calling-up orders notwithstanding the judgment. He was then sentenced to three months' imprisonment on each count, the sentences to be concurrent.

The judgment rejected the accused's argument that the Defence Law did not apply in Jerusalem. The contention was based on the fact that at the time of its establishment Israel had adopted the United Nations Partition Resolution, under which Jerusalem was to be internationalized.

'Occupied Area'

Jerusalem was an occupied area under the sovereignty of the United Nations. It was said, and therefore the Court in applying the local law should read it subject to international law.

The judge ruled that although local law may be in direct contradiction to an international rule, the local law takes precedence in an Israel Court. There was no sovereign in the Jerusalem area other than Israel, the judge said.

Moreover, it was held, the argument that the Natorei Karta, to which the accused belonged, were a religious minority whose conceptions

should be recognized and protected in view of the Declaration of the Establishment of the State, was without substance, even if the Declaration did refer to non-discrimination against religious minorities. This was not a law on which the accused could rely in order to evade his service.

Discrimination Rejected

Similarly, the Court rejected an argument that the provision that women could avoid service on religious grounds constituted a discrimination between the sexes, and could not be enforced.

Holding that all the legal arguments were without foundation, and that there was no justification for the attitude of the accused, the Court found him guilty, in passing sentence, Judge Witkon found that this was a case in which the accused acted from motives of conscience. But there were factors which made the defence serious, in view of the accused's declaration that he would not comply with the calling-up order.

After the sentence was passed, leave to appeal to the Supreme Court was given, and the accused was released on bail pending the appeal.

Mr. S. Kwart appeared for the prosecution, and Dr. B. Weyl for the accused.

Farmer Deserves Good Living — Lubianiker

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Profits in farming could never reach the inflated wages which are being paid in towns, the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Pinhas Lubianiker, said at today's session of the Agricultural Workers' Union convention.

The prices should, however, enable the farmer a decent living, he added. This also applied to the Arab sector, he said.

The Government was interested to see the Arab Agricultural sector developed along the same lines as the Jewish sector, Mr. Lubianiker said, but the farmer's profits should not go into the purse of the middle-man, he declared.

The Minister also stated that the agricultural bank would be started in a few months. The bank, said, will have "credit" proportions, and will adopt non-discriminatory methods in distributing loans to cut down red tape.

Markova-Dolin Ballet. Menuslin Coming

The ballet company of Anton Dolin and Alicia Markova is due to arrive in Israel in March to give about 15 recitals. Mr. S. Gabash, impresario, announced yesterday in Jerusalem.

Yehudi Menuhin is expected to re-visit Israel next February to give a series of about eight concerts. The noted violinist recently performed in Western Germany.

Immigrants Now Go Directly From Ships to Ma'abarot

HAIFA, Thursday. — A new system of transferring immigrants from ships directly to a ma'abarot without passing through a transit immigrant camp, was tried today for the first time by the Jewish Agency Absorption Department.

Sixty families who arrived this morning in the s.s. Transylvania were taken to the ma'abarot at Kiryat Shmonah, in the Huleh Valley. Seventy men of the group will start working on Sunday, and all of them are eventually expected to be employed on the Huleh Valley scheme.

If this first experiment proves successful, it is expected that immigrants of working age will be sent directly from ship to ma'abarot, and will become self-supporting at once.

Faster from Rumania

According to information from immigrants who arrived today in the s.s. Transylvania, departures from Rumania have been considerably speeded up owing to a change in the system of granting exit permits.

Until now departures were allowed only when immigrants were requested by Israel on the basis of certificates. This procedure took approximately one year to complete. Today's transport of approximately 1,300, is the first to be granted exit permits on basis of personal application registered in May, 1949.

A number of today's arrivals are reported to have received three days' notice before leaving. The Histadrut will build clubs in ma'abarot, following a decision taken by the Histadrut Executive today in Tel Aviv.

Largest Ma'abara To Be At Holon

HOLON, Thursday. — The first 100 new immigrant families arrived in a newly-established ma'abara near here today.

More immigrants are expected to arrive soon, to make this the biggest ma'abara in the country, according to Mayor Y. Kugel, of Holon.

Pay-As-You-Go Tax System Extended

Fresh instructions for advance payments on account of income tax were gazetted yesterday in "Reshumot." The new regulations are intended to institute the principle of "pay as you earn" for all types of income. Heretofore, it was applied to salaried workers.

Everyone whose 1950-51 tax assessment has been finally or tentatively fixed must now pay the same sum as an advance payment on account of 1951-52. The advance will be paid in four equal instalments during 1951. The first on January 15, the second on March 1, the third on June 15, and the fourth on August 15.

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Doctors Ready To Serve in Camps

A large number of doctors now employed by medical institutions are ready to volunteer for service in the ma'abarot, but their employers are unwilling to release them, according to the Israel Medical Association.

Dr. Z. Avigdor and Dr. A. Druryan, Chairman and Secretary-General of the Association, told the press in Jerusalem yesterday that they had met with the Director-General of the Ministry of Health this week to discuss the Association's proposal that the Government draft doctors for the ma'abarot.

The Association will also consult with the Ministry of Labour with the aim of setting up a joint committee to relieve the shortage of medical services in the transit work villages.

120 Needed

Of the 120 doctors needed, the Medical Association holds, one-third could be supplied by the Army from among physicians now in the Reserve. The remainder would be supplied from among the civilian ranks, if the Government issued a conscription order which would obligate their employers to release them. The Association also recommends that the call-up age for doctors be raised to 35.

Dr. Avigdor held the Kupat Holim largely responsible for the lack of doctors in the ma'abarot. The 2nd Fund, however, was unwilling to accept the Association's demands for job guarantees, salary, housing and transportation facilities. It also imposed an age limit. These immigrant doctors had meanwhile been working in the ma'abarot, but their arrivals contain few qualified doctors.

Jordan Issues Rhodes Pact

The Amman Parliament has voted to accept all Jordan officials responsible for the signing of the Rhodes Armistice Agreement before the House for questioning.

The decision followed publication of the Armistice Agreement for the first time since it was signed a year and a half ago.

During the Parliamentary debate, Sheikh Abdul Fatah Garwish urged the Government to cancel the Agreement. He said that in content it was different from the Balfour Declaration.

"A Drift" reports that the ex-Jordan Premier, Fakh al-Mutl, had been appointed by King Abdul to the Presidency of the Jordan Parliament.

Anti-French Riot In Aleppo

DAMASCUS, Thursday (Reuters). — Police used tear gas to disperse thousands of students demonstrating in Aleppo today against a French company and other foreign firms.

Later demonstrators occupied police HQ, and freed some of their comrades who had been arrested. They attacked French-owned tram cars.

The Minister of the Interior went immediately to Aleppo, Syria's second largest city, to investigate.

Allen Recovering From Fractures

Mr. Larry Allen, A.P. staff correspondent, who was injured in the riots in Singapore last week, is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

He had been reported missing, and it was learned later that he had been admitted to hospital after having hidden for several hours in a Chinese house. He was suffering from a fractured wrist and other injuries.

Mr. Allen, who was A.P. Bureau Chief in Tel Aviv before being transferred to Singapore, has cabled to Tel Aviv thanking all those who had sent expressions of sympathy.

Anti-T.B. League Personnel Strike

HAIFA, Thursday. — A two-hour warning strike by the personnel of the Israel Anti-Tuberculosis League was held between 10 a.m. and 12 o'clock noon today at all League institutions.

The nurses demand a wage increase, and grading equal to that at Hadassah institutions. The other employees demand grading equal to the personnel of the Jewish Agency.

A skeleton staff of nurses took care of urgent cases at the Neve-On Hospital at Ben Brak and at the children's sanatorium in Ahuzat, after all nurses, employees and workers stopped work. The strikers did not leave the buildings.

The League, whose centre is in Haifa, employs about 80 nurses.

A gang of tyre thieves was uncovered in the city this week. An undisclosed number of suspects were arrested.

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Rhee Suspends Political Executions

SEOUL, Thursday (Reuters). — The South Korean government announced today that it had suspended the execution of political prisoners and criminals pending an investigation into whether executions had been "conducted in an improper or inhuman manner."

The Minister of Justice Joonkim Yang, said all prisoners now under sentence of death and those sentenced in future could have their cases reviewed by a special board.

President Syngman Rhee, he said, was examining the possibility of granting amnesties, and he has ordered that in the future none should be executed unless his family had been notified of the date.

The Minister said that allegations had been made that 39 prisoners shot on the outskirts of Seoul, in the presence of the British 29th Brigade, on December 15, had been executed "casually and illegally."

Railroad Dispute In U.S. Settled

WASHINGTON, Thursday (UPI). — The government today announced the settlement of the long railroad wage dispute with a three-year, no-strike agreement.

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MR. Kaplan's portrayal to the Knesset of our economic and financial was grim enough but did not lack its brighter touches. This was not the first time for the House and for the country at large to be told what the Government has decided to do, and in many important respects has now been doing for several months, to attract foreign capital, reward productivity in itself and more especially for export; and what may follow if the Yishuv does not live up to its herculean task. Nor should it be the last time, for these things have got to be said again and again, lest we forget. And if ever a reminder was timely, it is so today, with the world in awful expectancy of war, raw materials stockpiled for destruction which are desperately needed for creation, and prices climbing.

We must sweep back the flood of inflation, or, as the Minister warned us sombrely, it may engulf not only our economic independence but our very Statehood. Unless it be exceptionally in recompense for enhanced output, a general up-scaling of wages is unthinkable in our immediate predicament; at the same time, some way will have to be found of limiting the opportunities for excessive profit-taking which seem still to exist in certain commercial and industrial quarters. The Histadrut and the Manufacturers' Association, the cooperatives and the private sector, owe it to the nation as a whole to join forces against any upward spiralling of the price-index which is now threatened by world market conditions. Without a combined effort of that kind our controls, whose continuance is rendered inevitable by domestic and international exigencies, will be emptied of their deflationary virtue.

We have, nevertheless, been given heart by the tale of progress in housing and settlements, of new basic industry in the offing, of an end in sight to the long cessation of Jewish immigration; a further credit of 35 million dollars under negotiation with the Export-Import Bank mainly to enlarge the export branches of agriculture; and hopes of a substantial first instalment in 1961 of the major Reconstruction Loan. The Minister did well to uncover so many buried talents, but what stirs the imagination most, and promises so richly for our future, is his revelation of the Negev's unexpected wealth in mineral resources. The southland may yet become the strongest point in that critical economic line which Israel, as one man, must hold indefinitely.

THESE (sotto voce) piping days of peace have brought from their earth a group of specialists who are of little use during war because heights usually lead armies nowhere; the honoured company of mountaineers. Permission has again been granted to mad Englishmen and others to grab their way up the fantastic piles of northern Negev, and botanists have brought back amazing flora. The Alps, we are told, have allowed something like the pre-war number of climbers to assault their sky-pointing crags; although some sort of class discrimination has been enforced by the sudden and unexpected hardness of the Swiss currency. Only the rich, in fact, can now afford to run the gauntlet of Swiss hospitality.

This is not altogether a sad thing, because would-be scalars of the Matterhorn and Mont Blanc, having no super faith that the desired mountains will come to them out of the hard currency area, have turned their eyes elsewhere.

Further, the new oath of allegiance links him to the Soviet soldier, his army newspaper is filled with news about the U.S.S.R., and the word "Poland" has been dropped from its title, and if he wants promotion he must learn the Russian language.

The last year has also seen wholesale dismissals of Polish officers who have seen service in Western countries. Many have been sent to labour camps for "political education." Latest reports from Poland state that about 1,000 of these former officers, including three generals, are kept in labour camps in the

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ROKOSSEVSKY QUICKENS POLAND'S 'SOVIETIZATION'

Red Army Pattern for Polish Forces

LONDON. — TO celebrate the first year of Marshal Rokossovsky's assuming command of the Polish Army, a chair for the teaching of Marxism-Leninism was inaugurated at Warsaw University recently. This innovation at Poland's leading seat of academic learning, however, least of the vast changes brought about since the Marshal's advent on the Polish scene.

As a member of the Polish Politburo, his influence is nakedly visible in the quickened pace of the process of Sovietization over the entire economic and political field. In the Polish Army the process is already accomplished, so that today it is to all intents and purposes an auxiliary unit of the Red Army and indistinguishable from it. This strength is put today at 500,000.

The Sejm (parliament) recently passed a bill abolishing the traditional divisions of the Polish Armed Forces and replacing them by the Soviet system of groupment: — 1. Territorial Army; 2. Air Force; 3. Navy; 4. Anti-aircraft units; 5. Internal security forces. The last was subdivided into frontier guards and security police and brought under direct military command.

Nowhere is the Rokossovsky stamp more evident than in the expanding Department of Army Political Education which has furnished every unit with a staff of "political instructors" responsible for "the care and political guidance" of the soldier. Its head, General Marian Noskowski, former Polish Ambassador to the U.S.S.R. and reputed to be closer to the Kremlin than any other satellite diplomat, has just been made a Vice-Minister of Defence.

The Polish press in the last few days has been full of plans for increasing the merchant navy and building up

forests near Hrubieszow, about 80 miles east of Lublin. Since Rokossovsky became Supreme Commander, the age for military service in Poland has been lowered, the annual intake of recruits being at the rate of 90,000 compared with half that number before. Length of service has been increased and is now from two to four years according to category.

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SITTING ON THE FENCE

By Nathaniel Gubbins

With my experience how could I disbelieve in it? Don't you think it healthier to give this original sin full play instead of repressing it? It may be healthier for the child but, as he often becomes a coddle boy, it's not so healthy for other people.

Why do you think the modern child dislikes you? For the same reason that I dislike the modern child. We have seen through each other. I don't believe in them and they don't believe in me.

Not even the little ones? Only this morning I heard a boy of five say to another: "If you don't tell your mum you believe in Santa Claus you won't get the extra present he's supposed to bring you."

Are you thinking of retiring, Father Christmas? Yes, I thought of handing over to a Mother Christmas. She will have to be a sentimental body with an unshakable belief in the impossible, including jumping down a couple of million chimneys in one night.

GOOD morning Father Christmas. Have you read in the papers how the modern child fears and dislikes you? Yes, I was just going to write to the papers telling them how I fear and dislike the modern child, but my fingers are too cold.

You dislike the dear little kiddies with their shining, expectant eyes and their baby prattle? They are no longer dear little kiddies. At the time of the year their shining eyes are filled with greed. Their baby prattle is full of shrewd questions, smart answers, and dirty cracks.

How does the child of today compare with the child of the past? The only difference is that the child of today has not been taught to hide its lust for possession, its blind egotism, and other evil passions. Don't you think it rather dreadful to talk of the evil passions of a child in a country where children are almost as popular as dogs?

Have you ever seen the sadistic excitement in the eyes of a child at the prospect of seeing another child punished? You believe in original sin, Father Christmas?

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Winston Churchill's War Memoirs

ALLIES CO-ORDINATE FOR FINAL VICTORY

At the third Washington Conference ("Trident") no decision was taken whether Sicily or mainland Italy should be the next goal after Sicily.

Mr. Churchill persuaded Gen. Marshall (with the President's approval) to attend a further conference at Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters in Algeria. They crossed the Atlantic in the same flying-boat.

The large double bed in the hotel suite of the Boeing was most comfortable, and I slept sound for a good many hours. I adhered to my rule in these long flights, that meals should be regulated by stomach-time. When one wakes up after daylight one should breakfast; five hours after that, luncheon. Six hours after luncheon, dinner. Thus one becomes independent of the sun, which otherwise meddles too much in one's affairs and upsets the routine of work.

"Rock's" Defences

We did not leave Gibraltar for Algiers until the afternoon. There was there-fore an opportunity to show Gen. Marshall the Rock, and we all made a few hours' pilgrimage, and inspected the new distillery which assures the fortress a permanent supply of fresh water, and various important guns, some hospitals, and a large number of troops. I finally went below to see the Governor's special pet, the new Rock gallery cut deep in the rock, with its battery of eight quick-firing guns commanding the isthmus and the neutral ground between Britain and Spain.



Anthony Eden

An immense amount of work had been put into this and it certainly seemed, as we walked along it, that whatever Gibraltar might have to fear, attack from the mainland was no longer one of them. The Governor's pride in his achievement was shared by his British visitors. It was not until we said good-bye to the Catalina that Gen. Marshall somewhat hesitatingly observed, "I admired your gallery, but we had one like it at Corregidor. The Japanese fired their artillery at the rock several hundred feet above it, and in two or three days blocked it off with an immense bank of rubble."

We flew off in the early afternoon with a dozen Beaufighters circling far above us, and in the evening light reached the Algiers airfield where Gen. Eisenhower and Bedell Smith, Admiral Andrew Cunningham, Gen. Alexander and other friends were waiting.

Eisenhower's Role I was determined to obtain before leaving Africa the decision to invade Italy should Sicily be taken. Gen. Brooke and I imparted our views to Gen. Alexander, Admiral Andrew Cunningham, and Air Marshal Tedder, and later to Gen. Montgomery. All these leading figures in the recent battles were inclined to action on the greatest scale, and saw in the conquest of Italy the natural fruition of our whole series of victories from Alamein onwards.

We had, however, to procure the agreement of our great Ally, Gen. Eisenhower was very reserved. He listened to all our arguments, and I am sure agreed with their purpose. But Marshall remained up till almost the last moment silent or cryptic.

The circumstances of our meeting were favourable to the British. We had three times as many troops, four times as many warships, and almost as many aeroplanes available for actual operations as the Americans. We had



GENERAL MARSHALL

since Alamein, not to speak of the earlier years, lost in the Mediterranean eight times as much tonnage as our Allies. But what ensured for these potent facts the fairest and most attentive consideration with the American leaders was that notwithstanding our immense preponderance of strength we had continued to accept Gen. Eisenhower's Supreme Command and to preserve for the whole campaign the character of a United States operation.

Invasion Plans We held our first meeting at Gen. Eisenhower's villa in Algiers at 3 o'clock on May 29. Although much lay in the balance, I was well satisfied with this opening discussion. The desire of all the leaders to go forward on the boldest lines was clear, and I felt myself that the reservations made on account of the unknown would be settled by events in accordance with my hopes. I now prepared what I called "Background Notes," setting forth the whole case for the attack on Italy, together with tables of the forces available.

We met again at Eisenhower's villa on the afternoon of May 31. Mr. Eden arrived in time to be present. I tried to clinch matters, and, after referring to the paper I had circulated, said that my heart lay in an invasion of Southern Italy, but the fortunes of battle might necessitate a different course. At any rate, the alternative between Southern Italy and Sardinia involved the difference between a glorious campaign and a mere convenience.

Gen. Marshall was in no way hostile to these ideas, but he did not wish for a clear-cut decision to be taken at this moment. He said that he would be better to decide what to do after we had started the attack on Sicily. He felt it would be necessary to know something of the German reactions in order to determine

whether there would be real resistance in Southern Italy; whether the Germans would withdraw to the Po, for example; whether they could organize and handle the Italians with any finesse; what preparations had been made in Sardinia, Corsica, or in the Balkans; what readjustments they would make on the Russian front.

On the two following days we travelled by plane and car to some beautiful places rendered historic by the battles of a month before. Gen. Marshall went on an American tour on his own, and I travelled with Gen. Alexander, meeting all the commanders and seeing stirring sights of troops. The sense of victory was in the air. The whole of North Africa was cleared of the enemy. A quarter of a million prisoners were cooped in our cages. Everyone was very proud and delighted.

There is no doubt that people like winning very much. I addressed many thousands of soldiers at Carthage in the ruins of an immense amphitheatre. Certainly the hour and setting lent itself to oratory. I have no idea what I said, but the whole audience clapped and cheered as doubtless their predecessors of two thousand years ago had done as they watched gladiatorial combats.

Our last meeting, on June 2, was largely concerned with the question of bombing the marshalling yards of Rome, and there was agreement that they were an important and necessary military objective, and that there was no valid reason for refraining from bombing this target, provided the attacks were made by day and due care was taken to prevent damage elsewhere. I felt that great advances had been made in our discussions, and that everybody wanted to go for Italy. I therefore, in summing up, stated the conclusions in a most moderate form and paid my tribute to Gen. Eisenhower. I said I would take home the feeling of confidence and comradeship which characterized action in this theatre.

Howard Killed

Eden and I flew home together by Gibraltar. As my presence in North Africa had been fully reported, the Germans were exceptionally vigilant, and this led to a tragedy which much distressed me. The daily commercial aircraft had been made to start from the Lissabon airfield where a thick-set man, smoking a cigar, walked up and was thought to be a passenger on it. The German agents therefore signalled that I was on board. Although these neutral pas-

senger planes had piled un-molested for many months between Portugal and England and had carried only civilian traffic, a German war plane was instantly ordered out, and the defenceless aircraft was ruthlessly shot down.

Fourteen civilian passengers perished, and among them the well-known British film actor Leslie Howard, whose grace and gifts are still preserved for us by the records of the many films in which he took part. The brutality of the Germans was only matched by the stupidity of their agents. It is difficult to understand how anyone could imagine that with all the resources of Great Britain at my disposal I should have booked a passage in a neutral plane from Lisbon and flown home in broad daylight. We of course made a wide loop out by night from Gibraltar into the ocean, and arrived home without incident.

The Hinge Turns Here then we end this volume, which describes the turning-point of the Second World War. The entry of the United States into the struggle after the Japanese assault on Pearl Harbour had made it certain that the cause of Freedom would not be cast away. But between survival and victory there are many stages. Nearly two years of intense and bloody fighting lay before us all. Henceforward, however, the danger was not Destruction, but Stalemate. The American armies had to mature and their vast construction of shipping to become effective before the full power of the Great Republic could be hurled into the struggle. But further success lay right before us, and the Fall, or rather Liberation, of Italy was near.

Hitler had still to pay the full penalty of his fatal error in trying to conquer Russia by invasion. He had still to squander the immense remaining strength of Germany in many theatres not vital to the main result. Soon the German nation was to be alone in Europe, surrounded by an infuriated world in arms. The leaders of Japan were already conscious that their onslaught had passed its zenith. Together soon Great Britain and the United States would have the mastery of the Oceans and the Air. The hinge had turned.

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four parts of a quartette all at once.

While I was doing this another friend of M. Parnes, hearing that he was in town decided to face up to the problem, and was searching for him everywhere. I left and went on my way. M. Parnes as is his wont, was a little late for his appointment and meanwhile the searching friend who rarely visits the Cafe Royal went into the lobby and found my letter addressed to him standing on a ledge. The page boy, so heavily bribed by me explained that, tired of the winces and shudders he had had to endure from dark, handsome artistic looking gentlemen when he asked them "are you Monsieur Parnes?" he had decided to get rid of it.

Not, I hasten to add, that Monsieur Parnes is unknown in this town. A fortnight ago he went to the Empire Theatre in Leicester Square and an usher after flashing his torch at him yelled "My, my, it's Sascha Parnes from the P.B.S. I remember you well."

The usher cluck-clucked as he led M. Parnes down the aisle and gave him the end seat in Row A. Goodbye again.

Parnes

Small world department... Monsieur Sascha Parnes has been in London. There has also been a cut in the meat ration, a power cut and it has been slushy underfoot. His visit gave rise to a remarkable coincidence which I would never dare to put into a short story. I had arranged to meet M. Parnes at the entrance to the Cafe Royal one morning, but, an hour before the appointment, found that I had to go out of town. I wrote a short note, explaining the circumstances, arranged a later meeting and delivered it personally to a Cafe Royal page boy whose palm I crossed with silver. I told him to look out for a dark, handsome, artistic looking gentleman who would probably be carrying a violin case containing a packed lunch and a passport. I explained that he would be dressed in the height of fashion and recognizable at twenty yards as he would probably be humming the

Time on my Hands...

LONDON.—Do you cry at the pictures? Do you just let yourself go, reach for your handkerchief and just wallow in that deathbed scene? If you do then you are in the same company as thirteen out of every twenty filmgoers of all ages questioned on this subject in Britain in the last three months.

A body called Mass-Observation has been asking cinemagoers a lot of questions. Fifty out of a hundred men are willing to say they cry sufficiently. And the things that move them are either deathbed scenes or small children just suffering in one way or another.

In these categories comes Mr. Chips' famous deathbed scene; Captain Scott saying farewell to his wife; the time that Bambie's father died; the sad face of the boy in "Bicycle Thieves"; a small boy, Shirley Temple, saying goodbye to her father (remember?) in "The Little Colonel"; or that boy in Steinbeck's story "Red Pony" losing that pony.

These and many more. The survey found out too that people on the whole are not ashamed of crying. The darkness takes away their shame and it is probable that the other people around are making their tearful work overtime too.

One young man questioned said that he has been known to weep "tears of joy." It was when he was seeing "The Grapes of Wrath" and the story had reached the part when the poverty-stricken Joads, harassed by everybody and everything on their long journey from their farm to the fruitful acres of California, are granted a respite and allowed to stay in an official camp before they go on. The young man cried at their good fortune. So did many hundreds of others.

People cry for release. Many confess that what they are ashamed of is that they cry despite themselves. They know that what is going on up there on the screen is synthetic and after all it is no

thing but a long strip of celluloid with a light shining through it, and still they cry. Weepies Producing "weepies," as they are known in Hollywood, is an intricate art. A good weepie producer is worth his weight in gold. So are good "weepers."

I have never met the lady in question personally, but I am told by my Hollywood colleagues that the best paid weeper in the business is not Miss Bette Davis but a comparative unknown who appears in casting directories as Miss Dorothy Adams. It is Miss Adams who spends her professional life crying for the soundtracks of the world's cinemas. She can cry to order and, because she has made a close studying of weeping in all its forms, is greatly sought after by producers. Miss Adams grades her work. She can give out with a pained sob, or a low moan just when asked. She can do child tears, hysterical weeping or just a lip pucker when asked. She is proud of her artistry and well she might be. Could you do it? I asked recently by the same colleague: how she went about preparing to let the tears flow. Miss Adams said: "I have it all here." "No, I don't think of sad music. I just think of a funny story. Then I laugh until I cry."

Screamies Hollywood also has its highly paid screamers. And the highest of these, I remember, was (and probably still is) a Miss Sara Swartz who up to last year had sold off stage in approximately 3,157 pictures.

She is nothing more than a vocal stand-in. Stars, being highly priced property, are sometimes loathe to give out with a real scream when the ghost appears or when the script calls for it. It might injure their vocal chords. So in scenes Miss Swartz at \$10 per time, she rarely appears on the screen although she has been an actress all her life. She too has a wide re-

The Hinge of Fate (Conclusion)

IMMIGRANTS LIVE UNDER OLD CITY WALL

NEX DOOR TO THE LEGION

By Emanuel Levy

THE first impression was one of mixed wonder and surprise. There, across the shattered stones, stood the Walls of the Old City, stark and grey against the sky. An Arab Legionnaire was idling nonchalantly against the battlements, not sixty metres away.

In the shadow of the Wall of the Old City, apparently quite unconscious of the incongruous sight they presented, a number of Jews of Oriental origin were seated on low stools laughing and chattering. A group of children were skipping noisily; and as I stood trying to grasp the situation in perspective, a small boy shook his fist at the Legionnaire, shouted blaringly "Don't shoot or I'll beat you," and darted forward to retrieve his ball which had rolled into the barbed wire on the other side of the road. Encouraged by the audacity of the youngster, I too made as if to approach the wire, but was immediately warned back by one of the women seated nearby, who interrupted sucking her hair to explain by means of wild gestures that she would probably be safer to remain at a distance.

My interest having been thoroughly aroused, I decided to call on one or two families in their homes and try to discover how people came to be living in the area.

I began to chat with a small boy squatting by an open door. His mother soon appeared from the gloom within and bade me "shalom." She told me that the family had immigrated from Persia a few months ago, and had voluntarily left the Immigrant Camp on hearing she could get a house. After arriving in Jerusalem they discovered that the reports had been exaggerated, as most of the rooms had already been taken. They had then been obliged to

this family had been so designated because its members spoke Yiddish, and this apparently was being taken as a sign of Americanism by the locals.

Most of the residents appeared to have been there between three and five months only, having left their camps after "receiving word" that rooms were to be had for the taking in the district. The "word" was received in the majority of cases from acquaintances already settled in Jerusalem, although no-one could identify the first brave soul who ventured past the barricade some six months ago.

Their present status seems to be uncertain. Whilst, according to the information offered, no official permission has yet been given to reside in this area, no effort has been made to prevent its settlement. The state of uncertainty does not seem to worry the squatters, who are only too thankful to have a roof over their heads. Their point of view was nicely summed up by one immigrant from Turkey, who feelingly expressed the hope that there would be no renewal of hostilities—at least during the winter months. I afterwards discovered that this individual was living in one moderately sized room together with his wife, eight children, and an aged relative.

Before leaving I paused to glance over the scene once again. The number of Legionnaires on the battlements had increased to four, and not far from them a figure in civilian clothes was also intently eyeing the crowd below. The air was filled with noisy gossip and the yells of children busy at their games; a mother was gently cooing her child, and the figure of the boy was still bent in concentration over his Hebrew text.

U.S. Stockpiling Cuts E.R.P.

By Herbert Roberts

LONDON (ONA).—WILD American stockpiling of basic raw materials for industry is throwing the European rearmament programme seriously off balance. Factories are being forced to close down for lack of supplies, unemployment is threatened in some areas, and slashed export deliveries to help industries meet arms orders are disrupting the overall economies of various countries.

Shortages already exist here in copper, zinc, aluminium, manganese, chrome, many forms of steel, and tin, wool and rubber. So serious has the position become that the O.E.E.C. Council of Ministers will meet in Paris next week-end to consider establishing some form of international commodities control. And early next month the O.E.E.C. chief

will fly to Washington for talks bracketing the serious problem with ECA activities, probing for means of increasing production and limiting demand.

Steel Firms Close

Almost all forms of steel—and particularly steel for making machine-tools—are now desperately short in Britain. Two Yorkshire firms have already decided to close down for lack of materials. Others are finding it impossible to meet export orders. Even in Sheffield, chief British steel town, deliveries to Europe have been slashed because of the diversion of scarce raw materials.

Similarly, the United States has abruptly scaled-down next year's sulphur exports to the Marshall Plan countries, reducing the total quota to something less than the present British imports. This will immediately affect production of explosives, important chemicals, oil refining, textiles, dyestuffs, rayon and fertilizers.

Private Black Markets

A large factor in the general shortages is the considerable private stock-piling now current here and on the Continent. Speculators buying up tool steel at ridiculously high prices are reckoning on heavy demands when munitions work here reaches full speed next summer. Behind this transformed industrial scene, there is now also a system of concealed rationing of factory customers by suppliers of raw materials. This system, spreading fast, is based on no official guidance as to which manufacturers are doing "essential" work, or contributing to the economy-boosting ex-

port drive. In plain words, it is a large-scale black market.

The panic scramble for raw materials has underscored the importance of Anglo-French talks here this week to reach some compromise on control of supplies and prices. While most people have looked the other way, France has long pressed for this. The threat has now translated itself into action; French domestic prices have soared, new social unrest has begun.

Marshall Plan Threatened

With the sterling-area gold and dollar reserves bubbling ever higher in the current stock-piling scramble there is pressure not only from America, but inside Britain, to give up further Marshall Plan aid two years ahead of schedule. If controls were introduced it would be extremely difficult for Britain to carry on without Marshall Plan aid and (1) rearm (2) maintain a reasonable domestic standard-of-living (3) continue to sell its rich mineral resources at cheap prices (4) meet the burden of helping backward southeast Asia, and (5) fulfil a long-term commitment to liberalize European trade entered into on the assumption that Marshall Plan aid would continue.

Yet some form of international control of raw materials seems vitally necessary. Most industrialists here seem agreed that the panic-buying of rubber, tin and wool is sheer madness, and that in so far as these programmes are official, drastic revision and coordination are urgent. The current panic has been caused by doubts about the future. One policy statement would clear it up over night.

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Allied Attitude To Nazis 'Softening'

By R. R. Buckingham

FRANKFURT, (UP) — The State authorities in Württemberg-Baden to ignore his protest over de-Nazification scandals there, despite calls for firmer action by U.S. officials in Germany calculated to "win friends."

Let's face it — Russia is the biggest threat to our security in the world today. The Nazis are not, one High Commission official has said. "I am making decisions now I would not have dreamed of making six months ago. But I make them because I think it is in the interests of our country to ease up on the Nazis." Top officials deny there has been any change in policy, but many lower ranking men echo the statement of the official who spoke frankly. This is the argument for the "soft" policy: The Allies need all the friends in Germany they can get, including ex-Nazis. The most unpopular items on the occupation programme are denazification and decartelizations of Nazi cartels, so they are the items that are being overhauled.

Policy Pointers

That the policy is already in force, if not officially proclaimed, is indicated by the following recent developments:

1. Pardons or reduced sentences for Nazi war criminals are being handed out wholesale by a High Commission "emergency board."

2. U.S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy permitted the

The State authorities in Württemberg-Baden to ignore his protest over de-Nazification scandals there, despite calls for firmer action by U.S. officials in Germany calculated to "win friends."

Elaborate legislation for breaking up the Nazi U.F.A. film empire founded under pressure from the Germans. Ex-Nazi film magnates in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia are preparing to take over U.F.A. interests there and make a come-back, and Allied officials say there is nothing they can do about it.

4. A former Nazi official has actually taken a post in a state government in the British zone.

5. Germans are being given ever-increasing voice in the management of the Ruhr. Hitler's arsenal. Past policies are now not as important as "know-how."

The "soft" policy contrasts sharply with the era of the Nuremberg trials which ended, after a gradual decline, when the Korean war began.

The argument against the "soft" policy is that it may permit Germany to become a Nazi state again. But the reply to that is voiced by High Commission officials, is: "that may be true. But even if the Nazis come back, which we don't think they will because they are to a large degree discredited, they will never again be the threat that Russia is today. And we've got to keep our eyes on today's danger, not tomorrow's."

Geiger Counter for Atom Bomb Defence

By Pierre C. Fraley

PHILADELPHIA — A NEW way to use Geiger counters, making them more efficient and practical in detecting deadly rays that would follow an atomic explosion, was announced by the Bartol Research Foundation of the Franklin Institute at Swarthmore, Pa.

It involves the use of salt crystals to which a minute amount of silver has been added. It is not a new discovery, but is the extension of an old principle into a new field. The thing that makes it revolutionary is that almost every nuclear physicist thought it wouldn't work. The salt and silver crystals are attached to the outside of a specially treated Geiger counter. When the crystals are exposed to radioactive materials they give off ultraviolet light. This light is measured by the "Geiger" counter and thus gives an accurate count of the radioactivity.

After the explosion of an atom bomb or an H-bomb, three types of irradiations are

given off, alpha, beta and gamma rays. The gamma rays are extremely dangerous. One of the first jobs of civil defense would be to get rid of the threat of gamma ray contamination either by isolating the area where the rays are concentrated or by washing the particles containing the gamma rays underground. Gamma rays do not last long and their effectiveness disappears after about a month. Beta rays are not as dangerous as the other two types. Even clothing affords some protection against beta rays.

Alpha rays, however, not only are dangerous but will persist in an area for thousands of years. It is as a protection against them that the new method of using the Geiger counter will be so effective.

To detect alpha rays with an ordinary Geiger counter the rays must pass through a thin "window" in the glass tube of the counter. The window must be airtight. If it is

Uruguay Goes Treasure Hunting

(ONAL)

over the claims this week

of Constantine Trolus, a professional Greek diver, that he has located the wreck of the Spanish merchantman "Preciado," buried in mud and sand in the estuary of the Plata. The ship, bound for Cadiz with a fabulous cargo of gold wrested from Peru, struck a rock in 1792 and sank with all hands (and treasure).

There have been several unsuccessful attempts to find the sunken merchantman. The most ambitious in recent decades was that by the Spanish Government in 1900 when, impoverished by the Spanish-American war, it sought to refill its treasury by bringing up the treasure of the "Preciado," the value of whose cargo had been estimated as high as \$200 million.

The Greek diver went to a partner with at least \$3,500,000 to invest in hauling the golden bullion to the surface. If he gets the partner, with whom he will go 50-50 on his share of the loot, the Uruguay Government will put up another \$3,500,000. The Government to get half the treasure — if found. The Government is satisfied Trolus is telling the truth, though the Greek is not telling anyone just now where the wreck lies.

Meanwhile, no one has given a thought to the ultimate claims of Peru, the original owner of the gold.

By Michael Davis

THE recent appointment of General Dwight D. Eisenhower to the supreme command of the forces of the West brings back into power a 60-year-old man who has never been very far from it since he ostensibly retired for life in 1948 to the Presidency of Columbia University.

Since then, he has steadfastly resisted the attempts of the Republican Party to bring him into their fold, and having spurned the temptation to use his military prestige for political ends, Eisenhower will take up his new post as one of the few American leaders having the confidence and respect of both the Democrats and the Republicans.

Until 1942, when he was picked out of relative obscurity by the Commander of the European theatre of operations, Eisenhower had followed the routine rounds of a military career, having started without any family advantages. His father was a small-town businessman in Abilene, Kansas; he could not afford to send Dwight, the third of six sons, to college, and after a spell at the local high school he became a cowpuncher, farmer, and professional baseball player until he managed to get into West Point Military Academy in 1911. By the end of World War One he was one of the young lieutenant-colonels in the U.S. Army, though he had spent the war not far from his home town.

The most fruitful period of Eisenhower's early life came in

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1922, when he was sent to Panama to serve in the command of a General Conner, who used to lecture him on the follies of the combined system of command that had hampered Poch and told him that in the next war command must be vested in one man.

Visit to Europe

From 1924, when he returned from Panama, until 1927, when he paid his first visit to Europe, Eisenhower was in the United States Battle Monuments Commission. Eisenhower was by turn a staff officer and a recreation officer, with intervals of staff courses. After 1927 he spent five valuable years in Washington in the War Department and was then sent to the Philippines Government as an adviser on the defence of the islands. There his chief was General MacArthur and for two years, until MacArthur retired to his large estate near Manila, Eisenhower was able to study the methods and character of the man who was his only rival as America's most eminent soldier.

In 1940 Eisenhower was recalled to Washington where he completed his apprenticeship in the office of the Chief of Staff under General George C. Marshall, now Secretary of Defense. After two years he was put in charge of the European theatre and undertook his first big operation when the Americans invaded North Africa.

Opposed Churchill

Thereafter, until the liberation of Europe, Eisenhower's reputation as a level-headed and efficient commander grew steadily. As a strategist he occasionally found himself opposed by the British; with Marshall he recommended the immediate establishment of a bridgehead in France in 1942 as a prelude to full-scale invasion in 1943; he opposed Churchill over the invasion of Southern France; and he advocated a broad-front strategy against the Germans after the opening of the Second Front. But he never allowed his personal opinions to damage what he thought the over-riding consideration: Anglo-American unity was his religion and he himself was one of its chief votaries. Nor, unlike other distinguished generals, did Eisenhower use his post-war memoirs as a means of revenging old injuries; his book "Crusade in Europe" surprised even his warmest admirers by its restraint and modesty.

Whenever he has been asked since the end of the war what he thinks was his most vital lesson, Eisenhower has always answered that it showed, above all, how successfully a war can be waged by a coalition. In his new job, it will be his task to demonstrate that a coalition can also be made to work in times of peace.

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A TOURNAMENT FREAK

By JERUSALEMITE

There is no system to cover all bidding problems. What we do expect of a good system is that it should do justice to the great majority of distributions; its soundness may in fact be gauged by the percentage of cases in which it will lead us to the correct final result.

Freaks are exceptional cases. The greater the freak the more difficult it becomes to force it into the straitjacket of any single system. Here everything will depend on the approach of the individual player. Personal view and gambling instinct will often prevail, and this purely human element will

often lead us to a variety of interpretations.

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I Remember Henrietta Szold

By Julia A. Dushkin

The 90th anniversary of the birth of Henrietta Szold, founder of Hadassah, was celebrated yesterday.

To remember Henrietta Szold at any time is to engage in a most satisfying concert of heart and mind, for in her, more than in any one I know, one found that perfect blend: intuitive, qualities associated with feminine emotions, and a capacity for clear, analytical thinking. The ninetieth anniversary of her birth is a fitting time to summon her image and share recollections of that beautiful profile of body and spirit which we have come to associate with the name of Henrietta Szold, the revered founder of Hadassah.

The Youth Aliya programme, to which she dedicated the major portion of the last decade and a half of her life, had as its key motif her deep drive to bring uprooted Jewish children home.

Who was this American lady whom Israel loved; for whom her native city of Baltimore did it happen that a street? How did it happen that, though her major labours were on behalf of her people in the ancient homeland, the land of her birth, America, takes such pride in claiming her?

I met her first in New York in 1919. She summoned me to help find a food expert who would join Hadassah's first Medical Unit, then on its way to Palestine. She was 58. At the time I knew nothing of Hadassah—the creature of her most gifted organizing powers—which she had founded in 1912. The outstanding impression on me was of one who burned with concern for the fate of Jews, of suffering humanity anywhere.

The term, "one world," would aptly have described this comely, grey-haired, very American lady, this slightly conventional yet exquisitely tender woman, who was combining the American scene for talents needed to revive the land of her forefathers.

Profound Pride She felt profound pride in having been born a Jewess. She not only accepted her Jewishness; she lived as if it were a proud privilege to have been born to the Jewish people, to be a living vehicle for Judaism, its culture and religion. Much of her being stemmed from the precept and example of her father who had treated the education of his eldest daughter as seriously as if she had been his first-born son.

Soon after our interview I



shared her cabin on an old Italian boat. She celebrated Purim by sharing the contents of our box tops baskets with the steerage passengers for whom she converted the dank, smelly boiler room into a semblance of a synagogue, where we all commemorated the miracle of our people's salvation.

Those close to Henrietta Szold soon glimpsed the meaning of "Haggadah and Hallel," of Jewish theory and practice, not in the abstract, but as she lived them in her sixteen to seventeen hours of daily work. Always she stressed the minutest details in every process connected with the job assigned her and always one had the impression that it stemmed from her self-appointed task as a Jewess to bring order to this earth. Those privileged to work with her became her Hassidim in this concept of service. Perhaps the enduring significance of Hadassah, greatest of her many creations, is to be found in the dedication of her disciples—women who, at her feet, learned to aim for the highest standard in whatever they undertook.

Loved Children I cherish most the genuine love and respect Henrietta Szold had for children. We would be discussing a serious issue, hard for grown-ups to tackle. Suddenly she would turn to a youngster present—and seriously say, "Now what do you think about this problem?" Gifted teacher that she was, she knew how to banish diffidence or embarrassment and to draw upon the power to think freshly as only children can. One had the feeling that her reactions became part of her own thinking.

There are many children in Israel who can boast of personal letters from this busiest

of women in which she took time to report on how a plant she received was flourishing, or in which she discussed the youthful correspondent's personal adjustment to his or her new life. As long as she could, she met the many boats which brought the thousands of Youth Aliya children rescued from Hitler Europe. One cannot escape the feeling that in each child she saw a spark of the image of God and, therefore, treated him as with hallowed hands.

How natural then was her far visioned creation and personal endowment of L'maan Hayeled V'Hanoar, renamed the Szold Foundation after her death!

Through this non-partisan agency for coordinating children's welfare services in the land, she sought to focus attention on the rights of the young generation to a sound development and treatment: at home, at school, at work and in leisure hours. Its full impact on the fate of Israel's youth will be felt when the Knesset begins to embody in its legislation the fundamental ideals she first pronounced in her brochure entitled, "The Cry of Palestine's Children."

Beloved Birthplace We must necessarily limit our reminiscences of a woman who lived to be 84 and lived so fully and worked so ardently to the very last day. Yet one must take time to remember how dear to her heart was the land of her birth—the United States and Baltimore, her native town.

She loved to speak of her own early memories, of the passageways and safety stations for fleeing slaves from the South; also when Abraham Lincoln consulted her father on Jewish prisoners of war. In Lincoln's fight against slavery she saw the concept of freedom as handed down to the children of Israel from the time of their own slavery in Egypt. She sensed with pride the Jewish roots in the American civilization, yet valued the specific new forms of life which evolved in the New World. Her letters home spoke of longing for the trees of Maryland, as well as of her yearning to plant trees on the barren hills surrounding her beloved Jerusalem.

And so, in remembering Henrietta Szold, I recall a rare, precious person, the embodiment of twin souls—Hebrew and American—a woman who had the power to live in and love two homes. Indeed, she had the gift to dwell in the whole of this good earth, the Kingdom of the Lord.



Chief Rabbi I.E. Herzog and Mrs. Herzog receive Hania from the Gederu Na'abara, at their residence in Jerusalem. Hania will spend the winter months with them under the "Korot Gag" scheme for care of the children in private homes. Photo by Braun.

Chinese Marriage Reforms

By O. M. Green

It was not to be expected that the Chinese Communists' ardour for reform would neglect the very one-sided and complicated marriage customs of China. The new marriage law, recently introduced, "to abolish polygamy and child marriages, give both sexes equal rights, emancipate the people, especially women, and make possible a new marriage system, new family relations and new social morality."

That the law will be difficult to enforce, the Communists frankly admit. For China's ways of marrying and giving in marriage are at least 3,000 years old and imbedded in the strictest instincts of Chinese propriety. When the Revolution broke out in 1911 and the young Amazons of Canton formed themselves into a "Dare to Die Corps" to fight for it, nothing shocked their elders more than their declaration that they would henceforth choose their own husbands and even form "companionate marriages" for a trial union of six months or so to see how they and their mates got on.

That particular audacity died away, though, in the past 40 years the tendency has grown in the upper classes, particularly by what they saw in America and England, to manage their own love affairs. One of the really effective laws passed by the Kuomintang in 1929 gave a girl the right to break off an engagement made by her parents.

Their chief feature is that a girl has no rights and even the boy but little. The Communists' allusion to "child mar-

riages" needs some explanation. Here and there a girl might be sacrificed to some rich old man. But child marriage, as known in India, was never the practice of China. The average marriage age for a peasant girl (among the rich it is rather higher) is about 15 or 16, which among Orientals is not at all low.

In most marriages the professional matchmaker is an essential agent—a middle-aged woman of experience, judgment and discretion, able to answer the questions of each family (between which there must be no blood ties) as to the suitability of the desired husband or wife. Through her will be settled the important details of dowry.

Neither bride nor bridegroom has any choice in the matter. Both Sun Yat-sen and Chiang Kai-shek were married off young by their parents to girls whom they got rid of later in life. Most Chinese girls do not see their husbands until after the "lucky day" (fixed by soothsayers) when they are carried in tightly-shut red sedan chairs (red is the bridal colour in China, white, the hue of mourning), with a train of coolies carrying the wedding gifts to the house of the intended. Even during the ceremony the bride's eyes are covered. And after it, while the bridegroom makes merry downstairs in festivities (which among rich folk may last a week) she is shut away upstairs and allowed no part in the fun.

Once married, the bride is absorbed into her father-in-law's house where she and her husband continue to live, and there her lot is hard. She is little more than a slave to her mother-in-law. But if she bears a son, her whole position improves. In due time that son will marry and she will bully his wife precisely as she was bullied.

But when her husband dies, she must go at regular intervals and howl her grief at his grave. No such duty falls to the husband. Furthermore, he can divorce her as he pleases, but she cannot divorce him. Her chief protection in this is that if her husband divorces her he must return to her family all her dowry and presents. So divorces are, in fact, rare.

Another point in the new law that needs elucidation is the prohibition against polygamy. In fact polygamy is a rich man's luxury. But what about concubines? If the wife fails to produce an heir, it is very common for her to recommend to her husband a concubine, and if a son is born he ranks as the son of the wife, not of the concubine. Precisely the same device, it will be recalled, was used by Rachel (before she bore Joseph) when she gave her maid Bilhah to Jacob, so that she might have a son whom she could call her's. So it has always been in China.

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Buttons are one of the chief stress notes on current Paris models—dresses, suits and coats. Many of them are strange materials: corozo, fur, cork and jet as well as the usual bone and wood. Illustrated is a brown woolen dress with a front panel stressed by two rows of corozo buttons of the same colour.

Buttons on coats are unusually large, and the trend is to use them to emphasize details of line and cut.

For just a touch of winter fashion without its excessive warmth and weight, Paris dressmakers suggest exchanging cloth and leather gloves, berets and scarves for identical items made of fur. Here we have a skull cap, shoes and scarf of corozo—a suggestion that may be useful in austere Israel.



Hoofers' 'Boofers'

The most significant influence on the new 1950-51 shoes made in Britain, has been that of London's famous Sadler's Wells Ballet Company. The demand for "Ballerina" shoes which has grown with the popularity of these dancers has resulted in a soft moccasin type of slipper, practically heelless and lined with a bright tartan.

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Cook Books to Read and Enjoy

By Molly Lyons Bar-David

WHEN a cook book, like "Better Homes and Gardens," sells tens of thousands of copies a year, year in and year out, or "Betty Crocker's Picture Cook Book" sells 200,000 copies in a few weeks, and is still selling fast, there must be something more than the mere concocting of dishes in them. Women—yes, and men too—in the U.S. are buying cookery books to study scientifically, and to read for pleasure.

The "Better Homes and Gardens Cookery Book," for instance, is in many ways the answer to a housewife's hopes, because it is a loose-leaf volume to which she can add her own recipes, and which is so indexed as to keep adding the cooking articles from the magazine by its name. From a good basic beginning of very good American recipes, the housewife eventually has a big cook book that she has built up herself. The photography here is wonderful, and the additions out of the same magazine are mouth-watering in colour. Advice of every kind is given in loose-leaf pieces. It's a cook book not only for the kitchen, but to take to bed to read.

"Betty Crocker's Picture Cook Book" with 2,000 recipes is the last word in exotic make-up. The dust-cover, with a tiered tray of assorted individual pies and fresh fruit is enough to send a gourmet into raptures. The colour photography in page after page surpasses anything I have ever seen in a book. Thousands of drawings and photographs, with brief explanations, show how to prepare each basic recipe, step by step, so that one could almost cook out of this book without knowing how to read. Added to it are homilies, and stories of food and dishes that in themselves make excellent reading. The book is not without faults, however. The type is too small and the recipes not widely enough spaced and reference back to key recipes is required. A cook book, for efficient kitchen use, should be as clear as a black and white checkerboard.

Such a book is the "Memorabilia Community Cookbook" which I have just received. It is a specialized book, as old-fashioned as hoop skirts insofar as recipes go, but as good to use as a pressure cooker. Everything from cottage pudding to homemade laundry soap that Grandmas used to prepare, is to be found in this cook book of Old Dutch and German recipes. Its con-

cise and to-the-point methods are a joy to follow.

The days of wallowing in whipped cream have passed, even in simplified American cookery, and it is surprising how many of the recipes can be adapted, or used as they are, with our present rations. The chapters on vegetables and the "cakes, and the whole family" Gifted teacher that she was, she knew how to banish diffidence or embarrassment and to draw upon the power to think freshly as only children can. One had the feeling that her reactions became part of her own thinking.

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and blend well. Add egg to milk, and pour into flour mixture. Mix together and turn out on floured surface. knead 20 strokes. Roll in oblong shape 1/4 inch thick. Spread with remainder melted fat and sprinkle with brown sugar. Roll like a jelly roll. Slice in pieces 1/2 inch thick and place in muffin tins. Bake at 400 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes. Makes 24 rolls.

Orange Rolls Mix together 2 cups lukewarm milk, 1/2 cup sugar, 2 tps. salt. Crumble into mixture 2 cakes compressed yeast.

Stir in 2 eggs (reconstituted), 1/4 cup (or less) soft shortening.

Mix in first with spoon, then with hand... 7/8 cups sifted flour. Add flour in 2 additions, using the amount necessary to make it easy to handle. Knead, until smooth and elastic, and dough does not stick to board. Place in greased bowl, turning once to bring greased side up. Cover with damp cloth and let rise in warm, draft-free spot, until double. When double punch down: thrust fist into dough, pull edges into centre and turn completely over in bowl. Let rise again until it is again almost doubled. Then roll dough into oblong and spread with the following filling:

Mix, cook 2 minutes, cool until thick 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tps. grated orange rind, 1/4 cup orange juice and pulp, 1/4 cup fat.

Put 1 tps. melted fat and 1 tps. brown sugar in bottom of each muffin tin. Sift flour, baking powder, salt and sugar together. Cut in shortening

2 1/2 cups sifted pastry flour, 3 1/2 tps. baking powder, 1 tps. salt, 1/2 cup white sugar, 5 tps. fat, 1 cup milk, 1 egg, fresh, or reconstituted. For bottom of tin (you can use less): 1/2 cup melted fat, 1/4 cup brown sugar.

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IN AGNON'S DREAMLAND

For the second time, S. J. Agnon, master of Hebrew prose, has been awarded the Sholem Prize of Tel Aviv, the highest literary distinction in Israel.

Agnon is sure to arouse interest and to be read by a wide public, both in and outside Israel. This is surely true of his story "Idu ve'Inan" (published in this year's *Almanach de Ha'aretz*). Judged by its artistic form and its construction, which follows a carefully prepared and developed plan, as well as by the charm of its scenery and beauty of language, "Idu ve'Inan" undoubtedly belongs to Agnon's most mature prose writings. The story itself and the course of events described seem fairly plain and comprehensible. Yet most readers will have doubts in their minds as to whether they have fully understood its ultimate meaning. What is so puzzling is the fantastic setting and atmosphere of the story. Whether this is purely accidental, or whether it belongs to the very essence of Agnon's artistic creation is difficult to conjecture.

Strange Affinities
The story has many characteristics of what may be termed "Dreamland literature." The main characters of the story act as if under a spell, and the limits between dream and reality are shadowy. The names of the people occurring in the story begin with the same initial letter "G" which seems to suggest that they are a group of people born, as it were, under the same star, predestined to meet in life and to be irresistibly attracted to one another. Owing to this invisible bond between them, they meet sometimes under the most improbable circumstances, always driven by a mysterious affinity and an intuition which never fails them.

The main motive of the story is the unhappy love of the exotic, moonstruck Gemulah, married by chance to the agile and adventurous Gatz. She is, however, in love with the mysterious Ginas, an ethnographer and poet of renown, to whom she feels strongly attracted. Ginas' artistic and scientific impulses are powerfully stimulated by the exotic, ghost-like appearance of Gemulah.

Tragic Climax
The student of Freud will not be surprised to see Gemulah, who is in love with Ginas, yet unhappily married to Gatz, slowly developing an illness which confines her to bed and makes it impossible for her to walk except under the spell of moonlight. She treats her husband, who is lovingly devoted to her, with cold cruelty.

A tragic situation is created almost at the outset of the story, and the outcome can be anticipated. During a beautifully moonlit night, one of those delightfully mild and quiet nights of Jerusalem, the invalid Gemulah, unprotected by the kabbalistic "segulah" which were in the possession of her husband and which, through a fateful error, had passed into the hands of Ginas, secretly leaves her bed and follows her lover Ginas into

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his chamber. There she sings to him the strange melodies of her tribe in the exotic vernacular of her own people—Idu. This is the most love scene ever conceived by Agnon and at the same time the climax of the story.

Gatz follows his wife and, guided by dreamlike intuition, he comes to the house in which Ginas lives. A tragic clash between Gatz and Ginas follows. Ginas is prepared to renounce his love and actually asks Gemulah to return to her husband. Gemulah refuses to do so.

It adds to the irony of the situation that Gemulah, in order to calm Gatz's outraged feelings, discloses that her marriage had never been consummated and she could therefore not be regarded as a married woman. Unmoved by Gemulah's argument, Gatz insists on his marital rights and actually seizes Gemulah in order to carry her off. Offended by Ginas' seeming indifference, she follows her husband. Before departing with him she expresses the wish to be buried in a grave with Ginas.

The next day she dies tragically, together with her lover who loses his life in an attempt to save her when he

ing the more detached attitude of the chronicler. The best compliment, perhaps, that one can pay the author is that some of his pages call for the poet who could pay a tribute

THE BIRTH OF AN ARMY

THE ARMY OF ISRAEL. By Moshe Pearlman. Philosophical Library, New York, pp. 256, 11 illustrations.

No one acquainted with the writings of Moshe Pearlman, now as Lt.-Col. Pearlman,

Director of the Foreign Press Division of the Government Information Services, would expect him to produce anything on the lines of the orthodox regimental or war history. But it may be said at once that his style, the race and, at times, almost flamboyant style of a top war correspondent, is eminently suited to his approach to a subject which, at so close a distance in time and experience, would defy, at least for the time be-

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ENCYCLOPEDIA MIGRAIT. Encyclopaedia Biblica. Ed. Institutum Biblicum et Museum Antiquitatum Iudaicarum ad Universitatem Hebraicam Jerusalem. Vol. I, pp. 2, 800 columns, plates and maps.

The first volume of this large scale-publication, which has appeared after eight years' preparatory work, may be called without hesitation a contribution to Bible learning of international value. From a national point of view, it can be stated that almost all contributors to this volume are Israelis. But let alone the pride upon having in Israel a sufficient number of scholars able to carry out such an undertaking, the result of their collaboration makes us even more proud of this latest in the series of Biblical Encyclopaedias whose long and glorious history is surveyed by B. Kirchner in a special article.

The Editorial Board includes the Hebrew University's leading representatives of the subjects concerned, with E. L. Sukenik as chairman, U. Cassuto as editor-in-chief, and J. Guttmann, B. Malsler, and N. H. Tur Sinal as members, joined by S. Yelvin, director of Israel's Department of Antiquities.

Excellent Presentation
The volume opens with a splendid reproduction of columns of the Dead Sea Scrolls. All the numerous other plates and the text itself have been beautifully printed. The number of the pictures is so generous that the general reader can see practically every important object needed for understanding the text, without being redirected to other books. A special credit is due to the Editors for their broadminded admission of foreign words in the original alphabet, not only in the bibliography, but also in the text itself, thus saving from the reader the task of difficult and incessant retranscription.

Although the whole material is given in scientific manner and language, the intellectual level of the Hebrew reader is fortunately high enough to read large parts of the Encyclopaedia with great benefit. In the large articles the general discussion is equalled in its extent by the production of material or special research. Let us take, for instance, the article Abraham (by Cassuto). It gives first the explanation of the name, then an account of the Biblical narratives, followed by literary and historical criticism and a very interesting discussion of their tendencies. The Torah does not aim at giving information about antiquities; its intention is always religious or national education. This thesis is then being proved by many examples from the text.

Outstanding Contributions
An article, which deserves the greatest admiration, both by its extent and thoroughness is without doubt the article on Palestine (Eretz Israel). It covers more than 100 columns written by as many as seven different authors. Malsler describes the geopolitical situation and the names of the land according to the manifold sources, as well as the history within the limits of the Encyclopaedia (until the beginning of the Hasmonean period). Picard outlines the geology (with a large geological map in color). Schattner the general geography (with many excellent and instructive photos). Ashbel the climate, Zahari the Flora, Bodenheimer the Fauna, Ben Shammai the sanctity of the Holy Land. Historical topography is represented by two articles on the tribes Ephraim and Asher (Yelvin); there and in many other articles the reader is provided with genealogical tables, which are particularly useful in view of the complicated material scattered throughout the Bible.

As to foreign countries and peoples, there is the up-to-date article Egarit (Casuto), which contains a picture of the just now discovered Alphabet Tablet, Ur Kasdim (Yelvin), with many excellent illustrations. Amorites (historically treated by Tur Sinal), Arameans (Malsler and Loewenstein), Assur is given only as a town (Malsler), the Kingdom of Assyria being deferred to the article on Mesopotamia. There is no space to deal with the many articles on linguistic and literary subjects, or the rich materials about natural history, but mention at least must be made of the exceptionally well illustrated article Alphabet (Tur Sinal).

Religious Subjects
Among articles of special religious interest that on Names of God (Cassuto) stands out. So does the article on the idea of God and about Moshetism. (J. Heisemann), a clear exposition of the material and the historical problems involved. The history of several holy objects, for instance, the Aron Hakodesh (Tur Sinal) is also included.

The reviewer cannot omit to mention lastly the contributions made by A. H. Freimann, a victim of the Scopus massacre, especially his article on adoption. Although it is impossible to give here a more adequate account of the range and value of the articles, readers will, it is hoped, realize the great value of this splendid publication.

Modern Biblical research was started by non-Jews. The Encyclopaedia Migraït proves that the Jews have been neither bad nor merely echoing pupils. It remains to express the sincere hope that the editors and their many helpful scientific, technical and typographical assistants may succeed in completing their precious work.

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J. EYBACK: THE SYNAGOGUE OF SHKLOV

From the memorial exhibition now on view at the Tel Aviv Museum.

Hungary Bans 5000 Books

By G. E. R. Gedy

THE Hungarian "People's Library Centre," acting on the authority of the Minister for People's Culture, has recently issued a list of nearly 5,000 prohibited books. A smaller list was issued last January. Libraries were sent to book-shops and libraries to collect the forbidden books and consign them to the incinerators. The bookshoppers were paid 1 for every two cwt. of literature contributed to the bonfire.

—British authors have sponsored more "dangerous thoughts" than those of any

other nation — except Hungary itself; 48 British writers are on the banned list, many in respect of all their works. The adventures of "Sherlock Holmes" can no longer distract Hungarians from doing their stint under the Five-Year Plan. Conan Doyle's entire output is forbidden along with works of Ouida, Rider Haggard, Hall Caine, A. J. Cronin, Daphne du Maurier, P. G. Wodehouse (of "Psmith" and "Jeeves" fame) and, among non-British authors, Proust and Lin Yutang, a well assorted gang of "reactionary fascist beasts of imperialism."

From Kipling to Disney
Works by Rudyard Kipling, Michael Arlen, Hilaire Belloc, Arnold Bennett, James Hilton, and J. L. Priestley have been consigned likewise to the flames. Oliver Goldsmith receives honourable mention with condemnation of his "Vicar of Wakefield." Edgar Wallace is on the black list, but a few of his shockers are deemed quite harmless to Communist virtue — in contrast to the forbidden "Journey's End" of R. C. Sherriff and the "All Quiet on the Western Front" of E. M. Remarque.

Louise M. Alcott's "Little Women" have been condemned as agents of the Capitalist West; the dangerous "Don Quixote" can no longer tilt at windmills to divert attention from the true faith; Rindranath Tagore gets by with very few of his works; and Erno Ligeti, the writer who was executed by the Nazis as a Hungarian Jew and anti-fascist, can no longer give his messages to the Hungarians.

The mind of the Communist toddler is also being protected from Fascist-Imperialist corruption. Along with heavier German literature in the libraries went all copies of Grimm's Fairy Tales, and the poisonous Walt Disney versions of "Three Little Pigs," "Ferdinand the Bull," and "Pinocchio."

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Bibliographers' Conference

"Bibliography has a great power for good," the Director-General of UNESCO, Dr. Jaime Torres-Bedet, said in his opening address at the International Conference for the Improvement of Bibliography in Paris last month. "Apart from its immediate object, it plays an extremely effective part in organizing international cooperation in all departments of intellectual life. It prevents partial and one-sided findings and ignorance of major discoveries and may also save the modern scientist from excessive specialization and help to preserve his taste for general culture and proportion."

The conference was attended by delegates from 25 countries recognized by the U.N. and Western Germany, and by representatives of the U.N. Secretariat and some 14 specialist organizations. The Israel delegate was Dr. H. Bar Dayan, head of the Library Section of the Ministry of Education. None of the countries of the Eastern bloc nor any of the Arab states attended. UNESCO paid all the delegates' expenses.

The resolution adopted urged later also that each country should

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NEW TRENDS IN CHINA

CHINA SHAKES THE WORLD.
By Jack Belden. Gollancz, London, pp. 324, 21s.

NEW CHINA: THREE VIEWS.
By Otto von der Pannen, Robert Guillain and Michael Lindsay. Turnstile Press, London, pp. 241, 9s.

It is difficult for anyone living outside Asia to assess accurately the significance of the recent revolution in China, for distance tends to obscure several vital aspects of the picture and over-emphasize others; yet it is vital that we should try to do so, since there is probably no question of greater importance in world affairs today. These four eyewitness accounts of the new China are of somewhat unequal merit, but they all have a contribution to make to this task.

Jack Belden, the author of "China Shakes the World," is an American, though he does not take the majority American line in his assessment of the Chinese revolution. He has travelled throughout the country during the past few years and his story is written mainly from the point of view of the ordinary individual's reaction to recent events. He has a deep understanding and sympathy for both the peasants and the intellectuals whom he meets and he describes, often very

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movingly, the enthusiasm roused in both classes for the discipline, efficiency and honesty of the People's Liberation Army and the new regime.

Conflicting Trends

On occasion, however, Mr. Belden's analysis of the present situation is over-simplified. This is particularly evident when he comes to consider his own country's attitude towards Communist China. Mr. Lindsay appears to be much more sound on this point. He grants that American policy has fully justified Chinese suspicions, but adds the rider that there is complete confusion about the world situation in China resulting mainly from the belief that only a small minority of people in the West are trying to push an unwilling majority into war, and that if the majority were sure of support from abroad (that is, from the Communist countries) to enable them to resist their government's war-like policies, a lasting peace could be achieved.

Mr. van der Pannen's contribution to "New China: Three Views" is rather thin, though he has some charming anecdotes to tell about his

personal contact with the revolution. Mr. Guillain, as befits a Frenchman with a revolution of his own in the historical background, is excellent on the spirit abroad amongst the intelligentsia in the new China but less reliable on economic and educational affairs.

Mr. Lindsay, who has had the closest acquaintance with China during the war and post-war years, goes deepest into the situation and is undoubtedly the most interesting. His examination of the two conflicting trends within the Chinese Communist Party — the scientific, which asks what the people want and tries to give it to them; and the doctrinaire, which argues, "we are the Communist Party and represent the masses, therefore everyone who does not agree with us is a reactionary and should be eliminated" — explains much which has been difficult to understand about recent developments. He considers that at present the scientific Marxists, as represented by Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai, largely control China's internal policy, the doctrinaire Marxists control her external policy. Mr. Lindsay should certainly be required reading for anyone who wishes to understand China today.

NEW SHORT STORIES

A LITTLE STONE. By Paul Bowles. John Lehmann, London, pp. 222, 9s.

Mr. Bowles is an American writer who won much admiration among a discriminating public for his first novel "The Sheltering Sky." He has now put out a volume of short stories many of which seem off-shots of that curious half-fantasy desert world of the novel. He quotes from Paul Valery — asking who has twisted us and the world? Is it some small object such as a bad tooth or a little stone?

Here the little stone is an appalling cruelty such as can be found only in that strange heartless world of the desert. The most terrifying things happen to his oddly compliant characters — many of them seem not only victims but willing victims even though at times the spirit revolts. In one story an old professor, searching for rare boxes made of camel udders, is caught by a terrifying tribe of black robed Arabs in the Western Sahara. They brutally ill-treat him, carry him around in a sack, deck him with old-tin cans and force him to dance for their amusement. The effect is horrifying as the end of Evelyn Waugh's "Handful of Dust" is horrifying. It is the vision of civilization gone down before savagery. The wretched professor loses his reason — and nobody cares. There is

the key-note of this atmosphere — here is acute suffering and nobody cares. I do not think these stories have the quality of the novel — many of them are bodiless and some even rather dull — but as the works of a very remarkable young writer they should be read.

THE PICK OF TODAY'S SHORT STORIES. Collected by John Pudney. pp. 280, 8s.6d.

Mr. John Pudney, well known himself as poet and short story writer, is doing an excellent job in collecting together short stories by those writers still eager to write them and (more often than not) unable to find a market for them.

One has watched sadly during the post-war years the collapse of one literary periodical after another, until, with the death of "Horizon," it seemed that no vehicle remained for the short story writer. Mr. Pudney does his best to right the situation with his annual collection of stories.

This year he gives us the works of 25 writers, one of them myself. It is difficult to give individual attention to each story in a book like this but it should be enough to tell the reader that between the covers of this collection there are to be found stories by Evelyn Waugh, O. B. Stirling, A. L. Barker, H. E. Bates and Monck Dickens, to know this is a book not to be overlooked.

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